

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions or listings of claims for this application.

1-21. (Canceled).

22. (Currently Amended) A carpet comprising a carpet pile comprising an aliphatic polyester multifilament crimped yarn obtained by drawing a non-drawn yarn comprising a polylactic acid via two-step drawing process, in which the yarn is drawn to 1.01-3 times in the first step and to 1.01-3 times in the second step, with a drawing scale of 1.02-9 times in total, and crimping a multifilament fiber comprising said drawn yarn with a crimp-providing apparatus that utilizes heated air.

the multifilament crimped yarn having a melting point of equal to or higher than 130°C, ~~said multifilament crimped yarn~~ having a crimp elongation rate of 3-35% after being processed with boiling water, a boiling water shrinkage of not higher than 10%, and a breaking strength of 1-5 cN/decitex.

23. (Original) A carpet according to claim 22, wherein said carpet is a tufting carpet comprising at least a face yarn of pile fiber and a base cloth in which the face yarn is tufted.

24. (Currently Amended) The carpet according to ~~Claim~~ claim 23, wherein an aliphatic polyester is employed for at least a part of said base cloth.

25-29. (Canceled).